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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 6118

BILL NUMBER: SB 42

NOTE PREPARED: Mar 15, 2006

BILL AMENDED: Feb 16, 2006

SUBJECT: FSSA Evaluation Survey.

FIRST AUTHOR: Sen. Miller

FIRST SPONSOR: Rep. Frizzell

BILL STATUS: Enrolled

FUNDS AFFECTED: X **GENERAL**
DEDICATED
FEDERAL

IMPACT: State

Summary of Legislation: The bill requires the Family and Social Services Administration (FSSA) to provide certain information to the evaluation staff or a contractor of the Legislative Services Agency. It allows the Legislative Services Agency to contract with a research organization to perform any part of the survey. (The introduced version of this bill was prepared by the FSSA Evaluation Committee.)

Effective Date: January 1, 2006 (retroactive).

Explanation of State Expenditures: There would be minimal administrative cost in providing the names, addresses, and telephone numbers of individuals who receive services administered by FSSA to the Legislative Services Agency (LSA) or its contractor for purposes of performing a survey recommended by SCR 7-2005.

Additionally, LSA may incur additional costs hiring a contractor to perform part or all of the survey recommended by SCR 7-2005. The survey has not yet been designed so that the requirements of LSA or a contractor are not yet known. Ultimately, the costs will depend on the administrative decisions of LSA. LSA is funded with state General Fund dollars, and the costs of hiring a contractor have not been budgeted in current appropriations.

Background: SCR 7-2005 recommended a survey of consumers of FSSA services. However, many of these consumers are protected from release of personal information by federal laws such as the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA). Alternative methods of securing a release from consumers could result in higher administrative costs for data collection.

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures:

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State Agencies Affected: Family and Social Services Administration.

Local Agencies Affected:

Information Sources:

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